

CHANGES IN THE ARMY NURSE CORPS

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CHANGES IN THE ARMY NURSE CORPS RECORDED IN THE SURGEON-GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR THE MONTH ENDING JANUARY 10, 1902.

BARTHOLEMEW, ANNIE M., recently on temporary duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, discharged.

Bowles, Mrs. Rosa L., formerly chief nurse at General Hospital, Fort Bayard, N. M., discharged. Married to Mr. James J. Moran. Will reside at Pottsville, Pa.

Brockman, Marie, graduate of Lutheran Hospital Training School, St. Louis, Mo., appointed December 24, 1902, and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

Burke, Nina M., transferred from Iloilo to the First Reserve Hospital, Manila, P. I., for temporary duty there.

Entwistle, Irene F., formerly on duty at the First Reserve Hospital, Manila, arrived in San Francisco on Thomas December 23; at home for discharge at expiration of one month's leave.

Fletcher, Mary C., reserve nurse, reappointed December 22 for duty at the General Hospital, Fort Bayard, N. M.

Haefner, Emma, recently arrived in the Philippines, assigned to duty at the First Reserve Hospital, Manila, P. I.

Kepkey, Georgia M., transferred from First Reserve Hospital, Manila, to duty on Thomas en route to the United States. Arrived in San Francisco December 23 and assigned to regular duty at the General Hospital, Presidio.

Krauskopf, Lilian, recently arrived in the Philippines, assigned to duty at the Convalescent Hospital, Corregidor Island, P. I.

Ledlie, Kate S. M., formerly on duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, discharged.

Lewis, Winifred E., reappointed December 22 for duty at the General Hospital, Fort Bayard, N. M.

Lucy, Lula Estelle, graduate of "The Retreat for the Sick," Richmond, Va., appointed December 16 and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

McCarthy, Julia M., recently arrived in the Philippines, assigned to duty at the Convalescent Hospital, Corregidor Island, P. I.

MacDonald, Jeanette, formerly on duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, discharged.

McGingan, Margaret, graduate of Kings County Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., appointed December 31, 1902, and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

Reynolds, Katharine R., graduate of Buffalo Homœopathic Hospital, appointed December 27 and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

Roper, Mary J., formerly on duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, discharged.

Tait, Elizabeth E., formerly on duty at the General Hospital, Fort Bayard, N. M., discharged.

Weber, Eva Dora, reappointed December 15, 1902, and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

Wheeler, Margaret M., graduate of Buffalo Hospital, late head nurse at Kings County Hospital and superintendent of nurses at Mercy Hospital, Des Moines, Ia., appointed December 27, 1902, and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

White, Alice Cecil, graduate of Rochester City Hospital, appointed December 27 and assigned to duty at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco.

Wills, Edith M., transferred from duty as nurse at the General Hospital, Presidio, San Francisco, to duty as chief nurse at the General Hospital, Fort Bayard, N. M.



A NEW METHOD OF EXTRACTING FOREIGN BODIES FROM THE EAR.—There is no more delicate and even difficult task, so states the *Medical Press*, than the extraction of a foreign body from the external auditory canal. Irrigation often fails to bring it away, and in certain cases adds to the difficulty by causing the object, a pea, for instance, to swell and become more firmly impacted. The employment of instruments is very painful and requires considerable dexterity, besides supposing an armamentarium specially designed for the purpose, which few general practitioners possess. The recommendation is made of a piece of soft rubber tube, the length of a cigarette and of the proper size, to be introduced into the ear. The end of the tube is dipped in paraffin and pushed into the canal until it comes in contact with the foreign body, whereon the operator, applying his mouth to the free end, aspirates forcibly, at the same time throwing back his head. Except in cases of angular bodies of irregular contour this method is usually attended by success, the body coming away with the tube.

MIDSHIPMAN AIKIN AND VIVISECTION.—Dr. W. W. Keen, of Philadelphia, has kindly furnished us with a copy of his recent open letter to Senator Gallinger in which he cogently sets forth the fact that in the case of Midshipman Aikin he would have been unable, but for his studies on the lower animals, to come to a conclusion as to the situation of the blood-clot of which he relieved the sufferer by trephining. He points out that in all probability the patient would have died if it had not been removed, and remarks that in the practice of other surgeons the like ability to recognize the situation of an intracranial lesion remediable by operation has depended upon such studies. He very properly, therefore, calls upon the Senator, who is a physician, to desist from further efforts to unduly restrict the practice of vivisection in the District of Columbia. It is to be hoped that the Senator will see that it is more humane to allow vivisection, under such restrictions as are not hampering, than to hedge it about with practically insurmountable difficulties.—*New York Medical Journal.*